



## Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

January 16, 2019

Mr. Tomás Torres, Director, Water Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street (WTR-1) San Francisco, CA 94105 Sent via U.S. Mail and Electronic Mail

Dear Mr. Torres:

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN TO ESTABLISH TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR NITROGEN AND PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS IN STREAMS OF THE FRANKLIN CREEK WATERSHED

Pursuant to federal Clean Water Act section 303(d)(2), we are submitting for U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) approval, an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan) to incorporate Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for nitrogen and phosphorus compounds in streams of the Franklin Creek watershed. The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) adopted this Basin Plan amendment on March 23, 2018, under Resolution No. R3-2018-0006. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) subsequently approved the Basin Plan amendment on November 6, 2018, under Resolution No. 2018-0049.

The documentation that the USEPA needs to approve this Basin Plan amendment is being sent separately to USEPA's TMDL liaison, Matthew Mitchell (on DVD) for his review. The documents included on the DVD are as follows:

- 1) Documentation of submittal to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL):
  - a) Transmittal letter to OAL.
- 2) Documentation of approval from the State Water Board:
  - a) Index for the State Water Board administrative record (yellow highlighted documents are contained on attached DVD);
  - b) Notice of public comment with mailing list;
  - c) Agenda for the State Water Board meeting with mailing list;
  - d) Final agenda for the State Water Board meeting with agenda item, draft resolution, public comment letter, and staff's responses to public comments; and
  - e) State Water Board resolution as approved with the Central Coast Water Board's final resolution and Basin Plan amendment language attached.

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- 3) Documentation of adoption from the Central Coast Water Board:
  - Index for the Central Coast Water Board's administrative record (yellow highlighted documents are contained on attached DVD);
  - Notices of Central Coast Water Board's Workshops, Notice of Public Hearing, b) and Notice of Filing a Draft Environmental Document with mailing lists;
  - Proof of publication; c)
  - Final staff report with attachments; and d)
  - e) Central Coast Water Board's resolution as adopted with attached Basin Plan amendment language.

The Basin Plan amendment is being submitted concurrently for approval to the OAL and their approval letter will be transmitted to USEPA upon our receipt.

We look forward to receiving your approval of this Basin Plan amendment. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the lead staff person, Larry Harlan, at (805) 594-6195 or Larry, Harlan@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

## John M. Robertson Robertson

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John M. Robertson **Executive Officer** 

cc: via U.S. mail (with amendment documentation on DVD)

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